

## **Novena to Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima**

### **Prayer of the Novena**

Immaculate Heart of Mary, my Mother, I come to you this day as a little child in prayer. I beg to make this offering of my heart as simple and childlike as I can. The three little ones of Fatima have taught us what pleases your maternal heart. I earnestly desire that all the people of the world be brought back to a humble knowledge and love of the Sacred Heart of your dear Son. I pray, dear Mother of my God, that the indescribable beauty and the glow-white purity of your own Immaculate Heart may so captivate our souls that we will detest all sin and dedicate our lives to the honor and glory of the God who created us.

As much as I feel the need of many things, I do not dare in this novena, Mother Mary, to ask one selfish petition for myself. You revealed the secrets of your own sad heart at Fatima and begged for the restoration of the world to God. What can I ask of greater good than to unite my heart to yours in this great yearning? What can I add but the fervent prayer that all the world may listen to your pleading?

I give my heart to you, my heavenly Queen, and in utmost confidence I leave to you the choice of what is best for me in answer to my prayer of love and reparation.

Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, I give you my heart. Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, I put my trust entirely in you.

Immaculate Heart of the Mother of my God, we implore, through your powerful intercession, the conversion of the hearts of men, complete victory over sin, and the return of peace which you have promised.

### **Prayer to Our Lady of Fatima**

*(Approved by His Excellency, the Bishop of Toulouse)*

O Queen of the Holy Rosary, Sweet Lady of Fatima who has deigned to appear in the land of Portugal and hast restored peace at home and abroad to this country once in such turmoil, we beseech thee, look graciously upon our dear land, and by thy power raise it from the depths to which it has fallen, and reestablish it in spiritual and moral strength.

Bring back peace, also, to all the peoples of the earth, so that all nations, especially our own, may rejoice to hail thee as their Queen and as the Queen of Peace. Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for our country.

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Our Lady of Fatima, obtain for humanity a lasting peace.

Sweet Heart of Jesus, be my love.

Sweet Heart of Mary, be my salvation.

### **Prayers for Each Day of the Novena**

*(We will pray each day for one of the things that our Lady revealed as objects of interest or necessity in the restoration of human society.)*

#### ***First Day***

#### **Reparation**

O Mary Immaculate, Mother of the Sacred Heart, I beg the grace to grieve with sincere heart for the sins that weigh upon the souls of men. With vivid memory I now recall the sharp spikes, the crown of thorns, the cruel lash that brought about His agony. Yet they were but the lifeless instruments of pain. It was my sins that really shed the Precious Blood. He willed through an excess of love to suffer all for my salvation. Can I do aught but lend the little love I have to make amends for the thoughtless world that lacks appreciation?

O Mother of the Sorrowful Passion, you shared with Him each pain our sins inflicted. Beg for us the privileged grace that we may unite our hearts with yours in an honest effort to pay up for the double insult we have dealt by the malice of deliberate sin.

Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, inflame our hearts with love.

#### **Official Version of Pope Pius XII Prayer**

*(Given during his radio broadcast to Portugal when he consecrated the Church and the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.)*

“Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Refuge of the Human Race, Victress in all God's battles, we humbly prostrate ourselves before thy throne, confident that we shall receive mercy, grace and bountiful assistance and protection in the present calamity, not through our own inadequate merits, but solely through the great goodness of thy Maternal Heart.

"To thee, to thy Immaculate Heart in this, humanity's tragic hour, we consign and consecrate ourselves in union not only with the Mystical Body of thy Son, Holy Mother Church, now in

such suffering and agony in so many places and sorely tried in so many ways, but also with the entire world, torn by fierce strife, consumed in a fire of hate, victim of its own wickedness.

"May the sight of the widespread material and moral destruction, of the sorrows and anguish of countless fathers and mothers, husbands and wives, brothers and sisters, and innocent children, of the great number of lives cut off in the flower of youth, of the bodies mangled in horrible slaughter, and of the tortured and agonized souls in danger of being lost eternally, move thee to compassion!

"Mother of Mercy obtain peace for us from God and above all procure for us those graces which prepare, establish and assure the peace!

"Queen of Peace pray for us and give to the world now at war the peace for which all peoples are longing, peace in the truth, justice and charity of Christ. Give peace to the warring nations and to the souls of men, that in the tranquility of order the Kingdom of God may prevail.

"Extend thy protection to the infidels and to all those still in the shadow of death; give them peace and grant that on them, too, may shine the sun of truth, that they may unite with us in proclaiming before the one and only Saviour of the World: 'Glory to God in the highest and peace to men of good will.'

"Give peace to the peoples separated by error or by discord, and especially to those who profess such singular devotion to thee and in whose homes an honored place was ever accorded thy venerated icon (today perhaps often kept hidden to await better days): bring them back to the one fold of Christ under the one true shepherd.

"Obtain peace and complete freedom for the Holy Church of God; stay the spreading flood of modern paganism, enkindle in the faithful the love of purity, the practice of the Christian life, and an apostolic zeal, so that the servants of God may increase in merit and in number.

"Lastly, as the Church and the entire human race were consecrated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, so that in reposing all hope in Him, He might become for them the sign and pledge of victory and salvation; so we in like manner consecrate ourselves forever also to thee and to thy Immaculate Heart, Our Mother and Queen, that thy love and patronage may hasten the triumph of the Kingdom of God and that all nations, at peace with one another and with God, may proclaim thee blessed and with thee may raise their voices to resound from pole to pole in the chant of the everlasting Magnificat of glory, love and gratitude to the Heart of Jesus, where alone they can find truth and peace."

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*The Holy Father (Pius XII) has granted a partial indulgence of three years to the faithful for each devout recitation of the prayer and a plenary indulgence obtainable once a month, under the usual conditions for the daily recitation of the prayer.*

**A Prayer of Thanks for the Blessings of Peace  
And a Petition that War may Never be Repeated**

O God, eternal and Almighty Father of all men, to Whom Time is but a moment and space but an imitation of Infinity; look with benign love and pity upon Thy distressed and tortured children. We have felt the heavy hand of Sin and Death, stretched forth from the blood-drenched sleeve of War. Our wearied souls can stand no more. We cast ourselves at the feet of our Saviour to plead, to beg, to patiently implore His purifying pardon.

Protect us in our weakness, O mighty One of Life. Preserve us from the scourge of such recurrent strife. Sustain us in our feeble groping toward the Light. Let Love lead us to the goal of an all-embracing Justice that once again we may be truly called children of God.

The souls of the honored dead who sleep in every clime we consecrate to Thee and entrust them to Thy tender Mercy. The wounded, in Thy Holy Name, we dedicate with love. Touch with Thy soothing grace Thy dear ones, brokenhearted, and seal each soul with the solace of Thy gentle care.

Raise up in every land, worthy leaders of the nations who will guide Thy people in the humble ways of the saints. Dispel from human hearts all lingering hate, disperse the clouds of doubt, the fog of fear, and renew the world with the warmth of Thy Holy Spirit.

From the depths of our being, in deep repentant love, dear God, comes our cry of faith, of trust, of hope too long delayed. We offer up our hearts, our thoughts, our strong desire to do Thy Will. That, O great and everlasting Lord, is our tired and timid way of giving thanks to Thee that Peace has come.

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, we implore the end of wars for ever more.

***Second Day***

**The Rosary**

O Mother Immaculate, Queen of the Rosary, we must learn to love those little beads. In every trial and sorrow they have always been a consolation to all who trust in you. Our joyful days are

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happier when you can share the things that cause delight. May your Rosary, O Mary, my Mother, always be for me my strength in weakness, my peace in affliction, my comfort in day of doubt, my courage in time of trial, the consolation of all my days through all my life. May it be the steadying influence that I need when I find success and the support of my soul when failure marks my efforts. In all things, with childlike trust may I live my life, in peaceful union with your own, through the happy medium of the Rosary. Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, may true devotion to your Rosary quickly spread throughout the world.

### *Third Day*

#### **Peace**

O Mary Immaculate, great Mediatrix of all men, please bring to quick fulfillment the promise and the hope you spoke at Fatima. Our dear ones died and our loved ones languished in the horrible hardships that had come upon a world at war. It is the deepest desire of your Immaculate Heart that we know the things that are for our peace. You have told us, Mother Mary, what you wish — reparation, the Rosary and repentance for our sinful deeds. We beg that we may give heed to your wistful pleadings, and by the example of our zealous lives point out the path that all must take to the goal of world-wide harmony.

Bless the fortunate land of Portugal, chosen to welcome you as our earthly guest. Inspire our own people and our leaders that we may humbly recognize, receive, ponder and promote the glorious cause that your message clearly revealed in Fatima. Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, dispel the hatred in the hearts of men and grant us in its stead the gift of the universal charity.

### *Fourth Day*

#### **The Souls in Purgatory**

O Mary Immaculate. Mother of gentle love, hasten the day of deliverance for the poor suffering souls in Purgatory. We obey your request to pray for them and beg the solace of relief, especially for the most abandoned souls. Sweet Mother of a merciful Son, lessen the toll that must be taken. Accept our humble sacrifices, our much-distracted prayers, our small efforts at reparation. Draw from the inexhaustible treasury of the undying Church the payment for the punishment that is

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due. I pray that through the merits of your suffering Son, your own precious spiritual treasures and those of the saints, that God, our Father, may be mindful of the prayers we make for those poor souls who can no longer help themselves. Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, relieve the poor suffering souls in Purgatory, especially those who have no one to pray for them.

### *Fifth Day*

#### **The Fires of Hell**

O Mary Immaculate, Merciful Mother, it is sad that you must remind us of the pains of hell. The vision that you gave the little ones was really meant for us. Spare us from Judgment that proclaims eternal loss. Stir up in our hearts so strong and lively a Faith that we may keenly realize the meaning of this awesome, this undeniable truth. We know from the teaching of His Holy Writ that the malice of sin will be justly met by an everlasting punishment. I believe in the Infinite Justice of the one true God. I believe in the Infinite Love of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. I beg the grace that I may so live my life that I may be worthy, through the merits of Jesus Christ, to enjoy the reward of His all-merciful Heart. Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, impress upon our minds the reality of the flames of hell and deliver us from their burning touch.

### *Sixth Day*

#### **Purity**

O Immaculate Mother, Queen of the angels, Guardian of man, have pity on those who fall prey to the allurements of impurity. Strengthen us in our weaknesses. Give courage in the conflict. Purify our strong desires of sincere repentance. We have heard your heartfelt plea for a renewal of the noble ideals of holy purity.

O Mother of the Immaculate Heart, I pledge to you this day, my heart, my mind, my lips, my whole being, entire, complete. I give my hand in solemn word that with your help and in your love I shall be firm in my holy resolve to serve you with unswerving fidelity. I ask a special grace. Grant me the prudent courage to resist the first whisperings of temptation and to shun whatever has been a source of sin to me. Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, make me and keep me pure of heart.

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*Seventh Day*

**Forgiveness of Sin**

O Mary Immaculate, Refuge of Sinners, to whom will we go if not to you, our loving Mother? Where will we find comfort and the solace that we need, in shame of sin, except with you? Draw us gently back, dear Mother of Love, to the quiet path that leads to the haven of the Sacred Heart.

I have sinned often, Mother Mary. I have sinned with scarce a thought of heaven, hell or the love you have heaped upon me. The memory of my misdeeds disturbs my thoughts. But that is over now. I know that in my trust of your protecting care I shall find peace and hope and pardon for those sins. Like Magdalene, Augustine and a million more, I feel confident of the welcome of His warming smile, for you are interceding for me. Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, I thank you with all my heart for your constant intercession.

*Eighth Day*

**Russia**

O Immaculate Mary, Queen of all nations, our fears grow less and our spirits rise because of your calm assurance of protection. How could we have known that the menace of atheism and the threat of godless Communism would be averted? Your promise of conversion for the harassed victims of this tyranny gives hope and joy and confident relief to all the nations of the world.

Our hearts go out to the homeless waifs, the persecuted people that the Communist terror raised up in that war-weary land. Grant that the gratitude we feel may be expressed in worthy deeds, not empty words. We fail our part, by your own words, unless we spread in every place devotion to your Immaculate Heart in sincere, active reparation. O Mary, Mother of the Prince of Peace, we promise with our prayers at least, to play our part. Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, may the reign of Christ reach out to all the nations of the world.

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*Ninth Day*

**Little Children**

O Mary Immaculate, Mother of the Babe of Bethlehem, light in our poor dull hearts a tiny spark of the spirit of childlike innocence. Three tiny ones in Fatima drew from our loving Lord the favor of your saving presence here on earth. How often you have shown your great regard for the sinlessness of youth! Can we show you, Mother Mary, that we really understand, in any better way than by a fervent prayer for all the little children everywhere.

Keep them, O sinless Mother, in their happy innocence. Protect their homes. Preserve the schools wherein they learn and let them not be harmed by godless teaching. Direct their play and little chores that they may grow in wisdom, age and grace. Inspire their parents everywhere with a Godly fear and love of His Commandments.

Grant that through the prayers of little ones we may soon enjoy the peace and unity that you have foretold. May the Blessed Trinity hasten the day when the world will be restored in thought and word and deed, through the name of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, and to the honor of thine own great Immaculate Heart. Amen.

Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima, we beg to share in the triumph of thy Immaculate Heart throughout the world.